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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

KEIICHI TANAKA : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION

SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. PCT APPLICATION:

(Based on PCT/JP00/00558)

FILED: HEREWITH :

FOR: PLANAR MOTOR UNIT AND :

DRIVING METHOD THEREOF, STAGE UNIT AND DRIVING

METHOD THEREOF, EXPOSURE

APPARATUS AND EXPOSING

METHOD, AND DEVICE AND DEVICE MANUFACTURING

**METHOD** 

## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to a first examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows.

## IN THE CLAIMS

7	Please amend the claims as follows.	
	13. (Amended) A stage unit comprising:	8
E	a planar motor according to claim 1; and	2 150030
	a stage member connected with the mover.	000002 00 CH
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22. (Amended) An exposure apparatus comprising:



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